

Durham Police Department
2011 First Quarter Report
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The Durham Police Department reported a 13 percent decrease in reported Part 1 crimes (property and violent) during the first three months of 2011 compared to the same period in 2010. Part 1 violent crime (homicide, rape, robbery and aggravated assault) dropped 9 percent during the same period and property crime (burglary, larceny and motor vehicle theft) was down by 13 percent. Crime was down in six out of seven Part 1 crime categories during the first quarter of 2011 (the only increase was in the number of burglaries). [The numbers used in this report are preliminary numbers and may change slightly when the final statistics are completed]. Officers and investigators conducted several operations during the first quarter targeting organized retail thefts, armed robberies, scrap metal thefts and vehicle break-ins/GPS thefts.

<i>Part 1 Violent Crime</i>	<i>2009</i>	<i>2010</i>	<i>2011</i>	<i>2010-2011 % Change</i>
<i>Homicide</i>	3	8	3	-62.5%
<i>Rape</i>	21	15	14	-7%
<i>Robbery</i>	143	167	150	-10%
<i>Aggravated Assault</i>	163	208	195	-6%
<i>Violent Crime</i>	330	398	362	-9%

<i>Part 1 Property Crime</i>	<i>2009</i>	<i>2010</i>	<i>2011</i>	<i>2010-2011 % Change</i>
<i>Burglary</i>	734	884	931	5%
<i>Larceny</i>	1533	1699	1342	-21%
<i>Vehicle Theft</i>	153	175	123	-30%
<i>Property Crime</i>	2420	2758	2396	-13%
<i>Index Crime</i>	2750	3156	2758	-13%

Quarter 2010 Juvenile Crimes by Age/Offense

Offense	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	Grand Total
Aggravated Assault	1							1
All Other Offenses				2	1	3	2	8
Burglary				1	1	3	12	17
Drug Violations			1				1	2
Larceny				2	1	5	9	17
Rape		1	1			1		3
Robbery				1	1		1	3
Simple Assault		2	1	6	5	4	2	20
Stolen Property					1			1
Vandalism		4	2					6
Weapon Violations				1			1	2
Grand Total	1	7	5	13	10	16	28	80

Statistics provided by the Police Department's Crime Analysis Unit

Part 1 Domestic Violence Crimes

	1 st Quarter 2009	1 st Quarter 2010	1 st Quarter 2011
Murder	0	0	0
Rape	4	2	3
Robbery	6	3	8
Aggravated Assault	50	50	49
Violent Crime	60	55	60
Burglary	8	15	11
Larceny	14	18	23
Motor Vehicle Theft	1	6	3
Property Crime	23	39	37
Part 1 Index Crime	83	94	97

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1st Quarter Significant Accomplishments

Violent Crime Arrests

Sexual Assault Arrest

A female teen juvenile told officers she was waiting at a school bus stop near the intersection of Cornwallis Road and Century Oaks Drive on March 4 when a male approached her and sexually assaulted her. On March 9, members of the U.S. Marshals Fugitive Task Force arrested Christopher Brian Cates, 24, of Russell Road near the intersection of Holloway Street and Dillard Street. Cates has been charged with first-degree sexual offense, taking indecent liberties with a child, first-degree kidnapping, sexual battery and common-law robbery.

Robbery Arrests

- A male entered SunTrust Bank at 2714 Erwin Road shortly after 9 a.m. on March 11 and handed tellers a note that said he had a gun. A description of the suspect was broadcast to officers and a short time later, K-9 Officer Moses Irving spotted a male matching the description on South LaSalle Street near the bridge over the Durham Freeway. The male – Darryl Wayne Barbee, 50, of South Street – was arrested and charged with robbery with a dangerous weapon and communicating threats.
- District 2-C officers responded to an alarm at Wachovia Bank, 3600 North Duke Street at 3:52 p.m. on February 28. According to investigators, a male wrote a note and then pulled out a knife and demanded money. He left the bank but dropped his wallet and went back to the bank to get it. He was arrested in the parking lot by 2-C officers who responded to the bank alarm. Faud Talib Wa'il, 52, of no known address was charged with robbery with a dangerous weapon and assault with a deadly weapon. He was placed in Durham County Jail under a \$250,000 bond.
- A robbery was reported on March 2 at Wachovia Bank at 300 Foushee Street. A male wearing a long wig and makeup entered the bank around 10:40 a.m. and handed a teller a note which said he had a gun and demanded money in large bills. No weapon was seen. The suspect changed clothes after he left the bank and was last seen going toward the intersection of East Club Boulevard and North Roxboro Street on a red or pink bicycle. Investigators arrested Derrick Reed Beulah, 37, of Hamlin Street on March 7 and charged him with robbery with a dangerous weapon.
- Durham police officers arrested two men and charged them with robbing the Dollar General at 2000 Chapel Hill Road at gunpoint on March 1. A third man was arrested on weapons charges. Two males wearing ski masks and armed with guns entered the business shortly before 9 p.m. and robbed a customer and employees of cash. Officers were told that the suspects fled in a burgundy Cadillac. A short time later, Officer K.L. Geyer located a burgundy Cadillac parked by an apartment complex on Morehead Avenue. A male – Alonzo Greene, 48, of Dixon Road – was

in the passenger seat. A second male – Raymond Parker, 57, of Morehead Avenue – was arrested as he came out of an apartment. Officers arrested a third man – Wallace Parker Jr., 59, of Morehead Avenue – inside an apartment. Officers recovered firearms, ski masks and money. Raymond Parker and Greene were both charged with three counts of robbery with a dangerous weapon. Parker was also charged with possession of a firearm by a convicted felon. Wallace Parker was arrested and charged with possession of a firearm by a convicted felon. All three men have also been charged in connection with a January 29 armed robbery at 1714 Holloway Street and a February 11 armed robbery at Wilco at 803 East Geer Street.

- Two males armed with guns robbed the Town and Country convenience store at 1423 East Club Boulevard at 10:40 p.m. on January 20 and fled in a silver SUV. A short time later, HEAT 2 Officer M.W. Brown Jr. stopped a silver SUV on Dearborn Drive and the two occupants matched the descriptions of the robbery suspects. The occupants – Derrick Lamont Rush, 25, of Douglas Street and Timothy Allen Rush, 26, of West Cornwallis Road – were both arrested and charged with robbery with a dangerous weapon and felony conspiracy.
- On February 21, a DATA bus driver reported that a male assaulted him and tried to rob him on a bus in the area of Sima and Lawson streets. The man punched the driver and tried to take items from his pockets before he ran from the bus. HEAT 4 investigators were able to identify a possible suspect and investigators arrested Gerald Deshawn Melvin, 24, of Truman Street and charged him with attempted robbery, assault on a public transit official and communicating threats.
- A male called police on February 24 and told officers that his ex-girlfriend and her son robbed him at gunpoint on Trinity Avenue. A description of the suspects' vehicle was broadcast to all officers and HEAT 2 Investigator N.D. McGaughey found the car on Severna Court. Officers conducted a knock and talk and found two guns and a phone stolen from the victim. Officers arrested Beverly Jones Gillette, 39, and William Edward Jones, 21, both of Severna Court and charged them both with robbery with a dangerous weapon, assault by pointing a gun and communicating threats.
- On March 15, District 1-A officers conducted a knock and talk at 507 Oakwood Avenue in an attempt to locate 20-year-old Kenneth Delvalce who was wanted on burglary and robbery charges. As officers were searching the house for Delvalce they discovered a marijuana grow operation. They also found Delvalce in a bedroom. Officers seized 11 marijuana plants and some cocaine. The resident – 26-year-old Angelica Zapata – was charged with possession of cocaine, manufacturing marijuana, maintaining a dwelling for the manufacture, sale or delivery of drugs, possession of drug paraphernalia, simple possession of marijuana, conspiracy to commit robbery and accessory after the fact. Delvalce was charged with robbery with a dangerous weapon in connection with a March 6 robbery on Oakwood Avenue and breaking and entering in connection with a February 18 burglary on Moonlight Court.

Aggravated Assault Arrests

- Officers responded to a disturbance with a weapon call on December 11 near the intersection of South and Enterprise streets. When they arrived, they learned that a 27-year-old male had been taken to the hospital for treatment of a gunshot wound. HEAT 4 officers were later able to help investigators identify a suspect – Isaiah Raheem Tharrington, 21, of East Umstead Street. Tharrington was arrested on January 12 and charged with assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill inflicting serious injury and possession of a firearm by a convicted felon.
- A 38-year-old male told officers he was stabbed several times and robbed on Primitive Street shortly after midnight on February 20. Officer J.P. Brigante located possible suspects a few minutes later in a house in the 500 block of Ottawa Street. Investigators charged Francesca Beatrice Trull, 25, of Ottawa Street and Antoine Lamar Thomas, 21, of Liberty Street with robbery with a dangerous weapon. Trull was also charged with assault with a deadly weapon inflicting serious injury and Thomas was also charged with felony aiding and abetting.
- An employee of a towing company was at an apartment complex on Pine Glen Trail to tow vehicles around 2 a.m. on March 18 when a male yelled at him and asked the employee if he had towed the male's car the prior night. When the employee told him he had, the male pointed a gun at the employee and fired numerous shots at him. The victim was able to escape without being injured. District 4-A officers responded and located a suspect in an apartment in the 6100 block of Pine Glen Trail. Officers arrested Johnny E. Smith, 26, of Raleigh and charged him with assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill and discharging a firearm within the city limits. Officers also recovered a firearm.
- Officers responded to an aggravated assault on March 26 and discovered that an 80-year-old woman had been assaulted by her grandson. The victim had been stabbed in both hands and punched repeatedly in the head and face. She was then kept in a bathroom for 40 minutes before she was robbed of wallet, keys and a phone. The victim was hospitalized for treatment of her injuries. District 4-A officers later found the suspect – 21-year-old Emmitt Clifton Sartor Jr. – in a car on Elmira Street. They also found several stolen items belonging to the victim in the car. Sartor was charged with two counts of assault inflicting serious injury, one count of assault with a deadly weapon inflicting serious injury, common-law robbery, first-degree kidnapping and interfering with emergency communications.
- Officers responded to a disturbance with a weapon call March 31 on Pilot Street and discovered that two men had been shot in the parking lot of an apartment complex. One suffered a gunshot wound to his knee and the second man suffered a graze wound to his ear. Officers were given a description of two possible suspects including one suspect who was wearing pajama pants. Sgt. M.D. Berendsen saw two males matching the suspects' description near the corner of Concord and Nelson streets and stopped them. The two males – Charles Earnest Bussey, 22, of Ludgate Drive and Tevin D. Kendrick, 17, of Woodway Club Drive – were both charged with assault with a

deadly weapon with intent to kill inflicting serious injury. K-9 Officer Terry Tanner and his K9 Sherlock located two firearms in nearby brush. One of the guns had been stolen in a 2010 armed robbery.

- Officers were dispatched to a shooting call on February 20 in the 800 block of Gerard Street. A male had been shot twice and the suspect fled the area in a white car. As Officer M.D. Mues was responding to the call, he saw a white car driving down Chapel Hill Street at a high speed. The vehicle matched the description of the suspect's vehicle and Mues attempted to stop it. The driver, later identified as Torain Lawrence, 32, of Gerard Street, refused to stop. Officers chased the car on the Durham Freeway and then onto N.C. 55. Lawrence stopped on N.C. 55 near Whilden Drive when his vehicle started smoking and was arrested there by officers. Lawrence was charged with assault with a deadly weapon inflicting serious injury, breaking and entering and possession of a firearm by a convicted felon. He was placed in Durham County Jail under a \$100,000 bond. Lawrence and the victim knew each other, according to investigators.
- Officers responded to a call about an irate male who was kicking vehicles and attacking people February 16 on Pettigrew Street near the Durham County Jail. When they arrived, they found a 62-year-old attorney who had been kicked and beaten. The lawyer suffered serious injuries and was taken to the hospital for treatment. Officer O.E. McClain spotted the suspect – Jose Manuel Diaz Torres, 46, of Durham – on a hill near the railroad tracks. McClain arrested Torres after a struggle. Torres was charged with aggravated assault, assault on a law enforcement officer and resisting, delaying and obstructing a government official. Torres did not know the victim.
- A 20-year-old female was stabbed in the neck and critically injured January 14 during an argument in the parking lot of a convenience store on North Miami Boulevard. Jasmine McNeil, 21, of Maple Ridge Road was arrested on January 28 and charged with assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill inflicting serious injury.
- Officers were dispatched to a shooting call in the 500 block of Liberty Street on January 6. When they arrived, they found a 26-year-old male who had been shot in the face during an argument in front of an apartment building. District 1 investigators charged Clifton Edward Farrington Jr., 31, of Bahama with assault with a deadly weapon inflicting serious injury. Farrington was also wanted on a felony probation violation.
- A 38-year-old female was shot and seriously injured while she was riding in a car on Alston Avenue near Dowd Street on January 10. The victim was a passenger in the back seat of a car stopped at a traffic light. Shots also struck a residence in the 1400 block of North Alston Avenue which was occupied by three people, including a 3-year-old child. No one in the house was injured. On January 13, Holly Martez Lyons, 21, was arrested on Reservoir Street and charged with attempted first-degree murder, discharging a weapon into an occupied vehicle, discharging a weapon into an occupied dwelling, pattern of gang activity, two counts of assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill and three counts of assault with a deadly weapon. Lyons was

placed in Durham County Jail under a \$5 million bond. He was arrested by officers from the Durham Police Department's Warrant Squad, HEAT units, Selective Enforcement Team (SET) and Criminal Investigations Division as well as officers from N.C. Division of Community Corrections.

- Officers were dispatched to a shooting call in the 800 block of Eva Street on August 8. When they arrived, they found a 36-year-old male who had been shot during an argument with another male in the 700 block of Liberty Street. On January 26, Salustio Olmeda Reyes, 29, of Liberty Street was arrested and charged with one count of assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill inflicting serious injury. Investigators said that Reyes and the victim know each other.
- Two men were charged in January in connection with a November 2010 shooting that left a man critically injured. Officers responded to a shooting call shortly before 8 p.m. on November 30 at an apartment complex at 412 East Pilot Street. They found a wounded man lying in the parking lot. The 21-year-old man was taken to Duke University Hospital for treatment of gunshot wounds. Marke Rashad Townes, 18, of 405 East Pilot Street and Lemuel Ward, 18, of 412 East Pilot Street were both charged with assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill inflicting serious injury and felony conspiracy in connection with this shooting. Ward was arrested on January 27 and placed in Durham County Jail under a \$500,000 bond. Townes was arrested on February 1 and placed in Durham County Jail under a \$530,000 bond.
- Officers were dispatched to a disturbance with a weapon call behind an apartment complex on Lincoln Street shortly before noon on January 13. A male told officers he was walking in the woods when he saw three males coming through the woods with a television set and a stereo. One of the males pulled out a gun and fired several shots at the victim. The victim was not injured and ran to safety. Officer C.L. Knight caught one male – Derek Huggins, 16, of Moline Street – and Officer R.S. Packard caught a second male – Michael Maurice Gill, 17, of Dearborn Drive – after a brief foot chase. A third male – Jordan Jermaine Hart, 16, of Lakeland Street – was arrested later by investigators. All three were charged with possession of a stolen firearm, breaking and entering, assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill and possession of stolen goods. Gill was also charged with possession of marijuana.
- Officers were dispatched to a kidnapping call on February 14 and told that a 15-year-old male had been forced into a car at gunpoint on Rowemont Drive and several shots had been fired at him. Officers were then told that the victim was taken to the downtown bus terminal and forced to try to obtain money from a relative. Durham Police K.R. Smith was working off-duty at the bus terminal and he and Officer A. Foxworth took four males into custody in the area near the bus terminal. Investigators charged Nikee Black, 20, of Beaver Dam Run and Solomon Clark Jr., 17, of Kirkwood Drive with second-degree kidnapping. Black was also charged with assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill and an earlier warrant for breaking and entering. Two males – Antonio Martin, 18, of Guess Road and Terrell Robertson, 20, of Gray Avenue – were both charged with felony aiding and abetting.

Property Crime Arrests

Burglary/Vehicle Break-In Arrests

- Officers were dispatched to a call about suspicious persons walking behind houses on Gibson Road shortly before 2 p.m. on January 16. Officer M.P. Farrell saw three males in a screened porch area and then heard two loud bangs followed by the sound of a burglar alarm. Three males then ran out of the house and Farrell chased them through the woods. Farrell caught a 15-year-old juvenile and Officer T.J. Feren caught a second 15-year-old juvenile. Both juveniles were charged with breaking and entering and damage to property.
- On January 27, Officer L.E. Mazziotto stopped a possible suspect vehicle in several burglaries in District 3. Investigators searched the vehicle and an apartment on Williamsburg Road and recovered numerous stolen items including laptop computers, cameras, iPods, television sets and Wii equipment. Derick Davis II, 20, of Williamsburg Road was arrested and charged with committing burglaries in January on Evans Street, Swansea Street, Nation Avenue, Valley Run, Hemsworth Street, Pearson Drive, Little Springs Lane, Jean Avenue and Buchanan Drive. He was also charged with breaking into a vehicle on West Cornwallis Road. A second man – Andre Marquis Owens, 20, of Waycross Street – was charged with the burglaries on Evans Street, Hemsworth Street and Swansea Street.
- On February 11, Officer T.D. Blake responded to a suspicious activity call in the 3600 block of Colchester Street. When officers arrived, they found an abandoned vehicle stuck on an embankment. The vehicle was still running and there were several stolen items in the vehicle. Officers searched the area and discovered a break-in. District 3 investigators tracked down Oia Miles, 26, of 1309 Hudson Avenue and charged her with breaking and entering, larceny and conspiracy. Warrants have been taken out against Adam Johnathan Tyler Bailey, 26, of Benjamin Road. Bailey is also wanted on fraud, burglary and robbery charges from 2008.
- District 3 investigators charged Marcus Shareef, 22, of Morreene Road and Andrei Royster Jr., 18, of Hudson Avenue with breaking into an apartment on Louise Circle on October 13 and taking several items. Royster was arrested on February 9. Shareef was arrested March 13 on Morreene Road and charged with possession of stolen property, receiving stolen property and contributing to the delinquency of a minor in addition to the burglary charges.
- On February 17, Officer M.G. Mole responded to a break-in call in the 200 block of West Piedmont Avenue. A male had kicked in the door of the house and was inside when the resident came home. Mole arrested Ronald Edward Goldsmith Sr., 52, of West Piedmont Street and charged him with breaking and entering, possession of a firearm by a convicted felon and damage to property.

- Officers were dispatched to a break-in in progress to an occupied home on Lathrop Street around 11:30 p.m. on January 10. Family members hid in a bedroom and called 911. Officers J.P. Brigante and J.J. Muehlbach arrived and found a male – David Emanuel Moore, 38, of South LaSalle Street – inside the house. Moore was charged with first-degree burglary and placed in Durham County Jail under a \$250,000 bond.
- District 4 investigators charged two males – James Donte Peay, 16, of Buffalo Way and Quran McMillan, 16, of Farrington Road – with breaking into T-Mobile at 6400 Fayetteville Road on January 14 and January 29 and stealing cell phones. Both were charged with breaking and entering, larceny and possession of stolen goods. A third male – Antonio Fitzgerald Parker, 21, of Buck Jones Road – was charged with two counts of possession of stolen property.
- Officers responded to an alarm March 10 on Obsidian Way and discovered a break-in. As Officer M.C. Bouleris arrived on the scene, a male saw him and fled on foot. Officers chased the male and caught him a short distance away. Desmond Antwon Deloatch, 19, of Guess Road was charged with breaking and entering, larceny and resisting, delaying and obstructing a government official.
- Officers responded to a burglary in progress March 21 on Chesden Drive. Officers arrested one male – Kellen Adam Corley, 20, of Lazyriver Drive – outside the house. A second suspect – Deon Marquez McArthur, 19, of Thames Avenue - was found hiding in the attic by K9 Officer T.M. Tanner and his K9 Sherlock. Officers recovered cash, jewelry and video games taken from the residence. Corley and McArthur were charged with breaking and entering, larceny and damage to property.
- Officers responded to a burglary in progress call in the 1800 block of Haverford Street on March 31. Three males had kicked in the back door of a house and then fled in a vehicle with tinted windows and missing rims. Officer B.E. Chambers spotted the vehicle near Broad Street and stopped it. The driver, Antonio Johnson, 25, of South Roxboro Street, remained in the car but the passengers jumped out and ran. Officers B.J. Simmons and C.C. Richards II caught two other suspects after a foot chase. Officers found a stolen laptop computer and briefcase in the car. Investigators charged Johnson, Derrick Dixon, 19, of Meriwether Drive and Jerome Everette Taylor, 18, of Chalk Level Road with breaking and entering and larceny. Dixon was also charged with committing burglaries on March 10 and March 14 on Kirkwood Drive and he was later charged with committing a burglary on June 7 on Denver Avenue.
- On March 10, officers were dispatched to a break-in in progress on Newell Street. Officers discovered a break-in and arrested Otis Junior Crosby, 18, of Glasson Street after a foot chase. Crosby was charged breaking and entering, larceny, conspiracy, possession of stolen property, resisting, delaying and obstructing a government official and damage to property.
- Officer C.K. Krieger was doing a foot patrol on Glengary Court on February 28 when he spotted a male peeping out from behind a building. He then noticed a television lying on the ground

nearby. Officer Krieger detained the male – Savon La Te Burnette, 17, of Weymouth Street – and then discovered a break-in at a nearby apartment. Investigators charged Burnette, Timothy Devon Fuller, 17, of South Elm Street and Dernal Lamont Burnette, 23, of Weymouth Street with breaking and entering and conspiracy. The Burnettes were also charged with breaking into a residence on Alexan Drive earlier in the day.

- Officers responded to a burglary in progress to a house for sale on Concord Street on March 28. They were told that a male was under the house taking pipes. When Officer J.J. Ellsworth arrived, he saw man in the crawl space under the house and found a bag containing pipes and faucets. John Andrew Page Jr., 56, of Formosa Avenue was arrested and charged with breaking and entering and larceny as well as a felony probation violation.
- Officer M.S. Bonfiglio was dispatched to a larceny in progress on Aspen Court at 10:08 a.m. on January 19. When he arrived, he located David Lee Marshington, 39, of Colfax Street under the house behind some insulation and found some cut copper piping. Marshington was charged with breaking and entering and possession of burglary tools.
- Officers were dispatched to a break-in in progress in the 1600 block of Fayetteville Street at 9:51 a.m. on January 19. Officer R.A. McQueen located a truck with scrap metal in it behind the house. Two males – Eugene Griffin Jr., 38, of Norlina and Jeffrey Leonard Shaw, 25, of Lawson Street – were arrested and charged with breaking and entering, larceny and injury to real property.
- Officers responded to a larceny in progress at a hotel construction site at 1542 North Gregson Street shortly after midnight on January 10. A witness told officers he saw two men walking inside the building and they fled when they saw him. Officer B.T. Francis spotted two males matching the description of the suspects walking near a retaining ditch and placed them under arrest. Inside the hotel officers found a trash can filled with approximately 100 pounds of bent and broken pieces of copper. Adrian Seth Allen, 36, of Roberson Street and Clinton Randall Royster, 39, of Holloway Street were both charged with breaking and entering and larceny.
- Officers responded to a suspicious person call in the area of Riddle Road and South Alston Avenue at 3:20 a.m. on February 14. Officer P.B. Clark found a male – Aaron Fleming, 21, of Crowell Street – lying on a nearby trail. Officers also found two trash carts filled with air conditioner parts. Fleming was charged with stealing copper and metal from a church on South Alston Avenue and a business on Riddle Road. Fleming was charged with possession of burglary tools and two counts of felony larceny.
- On February 17, Officers R.A. McQueen and M.G. Mole were dispatched to a break-in to the old Operation Breakthrough building on East Umstead Street. The officers found two men – Tommie Edison Williams, 61, of Bacon Street and Tony McDowell, 57, of Dayton Street – inside the building. They also found several stolen items in a pickup truck parked next to the building. Both men were charged with breaking and entering, larceny and possession of burglary tools.

- Officers T.A. Guess and R.J. Lafferty responded to a call about a suspicious vehicle February 20 near Bittersweet Drive and Millspring Drive. The vehicle did not have a license tag and the occupants appeared to be checking out vehicles in the area. The officers stopped the vehicle and found several stolen items inside. The two occupants – Jason Edward Prater, 23, of Hermine Street and Steven Miguel Espinoza, 24, of Hawthorne Drive – were arrested and charged with breaking and entering to a motor vehicle, possession of burglary tools, felony conspiracy, possession of Schedule II drugs, possession of drug paraphernalia and four counts of possession of stolen property. The arrests cleared vehicle break-ins on McQueen Drive, Pickett Road, Croasdaile Farm Parkway and Hillsborough Road. Espinoza was also issued a citation for improper display of license plate and Prater had two outstanding warrants for possession of drug paraphernalia and a warrant from Person County.
- District 2 investigators arrested Shannon Gerald Allen, 33, of Newby Drive on numerous charges March 9 after an undercover operation targeting vehicle break-ins and GPS thefts. Allen was charged with breaking into vehicles on Murray Avenue, Broad Street, West Main Street and South Buchanan Boulevard.
- Officers were dispatched to a break-in to a vehicle in progress at 10:33 p.m. on February 10 in the 700 block of West Trinity Avenue. When Officer R.J. Shepard arrived, he found a male inside a blue Volkswagen. Officers also discovered that a second vehicle had been entered. Officers arrested 30-year-old Tarico Dondrell Ryals after a brief struggle and charged him with two counts of breaking and entering to a motor vehicle, one count of larceny from a vehicle, one count of attempted larceny from a vehicle and one count of resisting, delaying and obstructing an officer. He was also charged with a probation violation and served with a warrant for common law robbery from a case in 2003.
- On February 23 Investigator M.A. Clancy saw a man – Jerond Best, 36, of Stokes Street – driving a vehicle that had been stolen from Innisfree Lane. Best fled and officers caught him after a foot chase to Shannon Road. Officers searched the vehicle and found numerous items that had been stolen in vehicle break-ins. Best was charged with larceny of a motor vehicle and possession of a stolen motor vehicle. In addition he was charged in connection with breaking into vehicles on Liddington Drive (three cases), Farrington Road, Fortunes Ridge Drive and Innisfree Lane.

Fraud Charges

- Investigator S.D. Wheeler charged Ayana Edwards, 33, of South Roxboro Street with stealing financial cards from a resident of a nursing home where she had been employed. Edwards was arrested on February 10 and charged with five counts of financial card fraud, two counts of financial card theft, two counts of obtaining property by false pretense, two counts of identity theft and one count of exploiting an elder/disabled adult. She is accused of stealing two credit/debit cards from an elderly male and using them to get cash and make purchases.

- On February 16, HEAT 1 Officer J.E. Lloyd Jr. stopped a vehicle for traffic violations on Interstate 85 near Avondale Drive. Inside the vehicle, officers found 201 fraudulent credit cards that had been re-encoded with someone else's credit card information, 24 Percocet pills and two laptop computers. Investigators charged Majied Lewis, 38, of Richmond, Va., and Michael O'Garra, 23, of Virginia Beach, Va., each with trafficking in heroin/opium by transporting and possession, possession of more than five counterfeit instruments, felony conspiracy, identity theft and possession/manufacture fraudulent identification. Bond for each man was set at \$1.5 million.

Retail Theft Operation Arrests

District 1 investigators arrested 12 people in February after serving search warrants at five convenience stores and one grocery store as part of an operation targeting organized retail theft. Investigators and officers, acting on complaints about stolen goods being sold in certain stores, launched a three-month undercover operation with the assistance of Food Lion Loss Prevention, North Carolina Alcohol Law Enforcement (ALE) officers and other retail stores. During the operation, investigators learned that items were being shoplifted from retail stores and then re-sold at various convenience stores. The items included razors, beauty products, cigarettes and over-the-counter medicines. Officers served search warrants at Star Carolina Food Mart, 204 North Hardee Street, Durham Mini Mart, 1933 Holloway Street, Tobacco Town II, 1000 North Miami Boulevard, Big Apple Mini Mart, 1505 Holloway Street, Los Primos, 1109 East Main Street and Creedmoor Mini Mart, 3122 Bruce Garner Road in Creedmoor. Officers confiscated seven guns (five were taken from Los Primos), two vehicles, approximately \$5,000 in stolen goods, approximately \$61,000 in cash and several pieces of clothing with counterfeit trademarks. As a result of the investigation, Los Primos, Star Carolina Mini Mart and Big Apple forfeited their ABC permits.





Drug Arrests & Operations

Cocaine Trafficking Arrests - On February 18 investigators arrested two males on Thames Avenue and charged them with drug trafficking. Fidel Serrano, 27, of Hillcrest Drive was charged with three counts of trafficking in cocaine and two other felony drug offenses and Julio Hernandez-Banegas, 33, of Thames Avenue was charged with two counts of trafficking in cocaine and two other felony drug offenses.

Operation Medicine Drop - Operation Medicine Drop, a program that allows people to safely dispose of unused or expired over-the-counter and prescription medications, was held at six locations in Durham during National Poison Prevention Week (March 20 to 26). One of the goals of the program is to help prevent accidental poisonings by keeping potentially dangerous drugs out of the hands of children. More than 123,000 dosage units of medications were collected at the six locations. The medications included 68,605 prescription medication dosage units, 9,382 controlled medication (for example, hydrocodone and Oxycodone) dosage units, 43,964 over-the-counter dosage units, 23 pet medications and 1,882 unclassified/unknown dosage units. The most commonly dropped off medications included expired prescription allergy, blood pressure and antibiotic medications and OTC allergy medicine and vitamins.

Crest Street/Shirley Street Drug Operation - Durham police charged eight people with more than 100 charges following a six-week undercover drug operation in the area of Crest Street and Shirley Street. The operation was done in response to complaints about street corner drug sales in the area. Officers confiscated cocaine and Percocet during the operation. Officers from the Police Department's Major Crimes Unit, HEAT 3, HEAT 4, Selective Enforcement Team and Warrant Squad participated in the operation.

First Quarter Task Force Activities

-  Courtney Leech, wanted for murder in South Carolina, was taken into custody without incident by members of the U.S. Marshals Service Fugitive Task Force in January.
-  Jamal Lamont Sinclair was indicted in March in the Middle District of North Carolina on two counts of felon in possession of a firearm and two counts of possession with intent to distribute crack cocaine.
-  Jayson McNeil was indicted in March in the Middle District of North Carolina on one count each of felon in possession of a firearm, possession with intent to distribute crack cocaine and armed career criminal.
-  Elio Zuniga, charged with attempted first-degree rape, assault on a female and assault by strangulation, was taken into custody without incident in March by the U.S. Marshals Service Fugitive Task Force.

- ✚ Christopher Brian Cates, who was wanted on charges of first-degree sex offense, indecent liberties with a child, common law robbery, possession of stolen goods and possession of a controlled substance, was arrested in Durham by the U.S. Marshals Service Fugitive Task Force.
- ✚ A total of 101 violent felons were arrested by the U.S. Marshals Service Fugitive Task Force during the first quarter of 2011.

Crime Prevention Activities

Block Captains Workshop – Approximately 200 people attended the Durham Police Department's 2011 Neighborhood / Community Watch Coordinator and Block Captain Training January 29 at Holton Career and Resource Center. Workshop topics included Project Safe Neighborhoods, Partners Against Crime (PAC), 911 emergency calls, Parents of Murdered Children and dispute settlement.

Crime Prevention Unit First Quarter Activities

- 29 security surveys
- 20 Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) surveys
- Seven new Neighborhood Watch groups
- Three *Stranger Danger* presentations
- Two gun safety programs
- 68 robbery prevention discussions

BLET Graduation

The Durham Police Department held graduation ceremonies for the BLET (Basic Law Enforcement Training) Academy #32 on February 8. The academy included 26 weeks of classes, which will be followed by additional training while on patrol. The BLET #32 class included 17 Durham police officers, two UNC-Chapel Hill campus police officers, one Cary police officer, one RDU International Airport police officer and an officer sponsored by Durham Technical Community College.

March 2011 DPD Employees of the Month

District 1 – Sgt. J.N. Cates, District 1 CID

District 2 – Officer J.E. Childress, Squad 2-D

District 3 – Officer C.K. Krieger, Squad 3-C

District 4 – Investigator A.M. Sterling, District 4 CID

Central District – Officer J.B. Butler, Warrant Squad

Criminal Investigations Division – Investigators B.M. Glover and J.J. Locklear, Youth Division

Special Operations Division – Master Officer R.F. Schaub, Highway Interdiction Team

February 2011 DPD Employees of the Month

District 1 – Officer C.C. Richards II, Squad 1-A

District 2 – Officer B.J. Simmons, Squad 2-A

District 3 – Officer L.E. Mazziotto, Squad 3-D

District 4 – Investigator N.M. Byrd, District 4 CID

Central District – Officer A.J. Shepard, Squad 5-D

Community Services Division – Crime Prevention Officer R. Carson, District 1

Administrative Services Bureau – Cpl. N.M. Schneider, Training Division—PTO Program

Administrative Services Bureau—India Gentry, Records Supervisor

Criminal Investigations Division – Investigator T. Tuck, Youth Division

Special Operations Division – Investigator J.C. Valle-Avelares. Major Crimes Unit

January 2011 DPD Employees of the Month

District 1 – Officer M.C. Bouleris, Squad 1-C

District 2 – Sgt. M.D. Berendsen, District 2 CID

District 3 – Investigator S.D. Wheeler, District 3 CID

District 4 – Investigator K.D. Emanuel, District 4 CID

Central District – Sgt. M.T. Willett, Traffic Services Unit

Community Services Division – Ira Wilkins, Administrative Assistant

Administrative Services Bureau – Master Officer R.L. Paffel Jr., Asset Management Unit

Training Division—Toni Brown, Recruiting Unit Administrative Assistant

Criminal Investigations Division – Investigator M. Evans, Domestic Violence Unit

Special Operations Division – Investigator G.A. McGee, ATF Task Force